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## **Truck Driver Arrested For DUI Drugs**

On August 31, 2006 at approximately 2:00 PM, Troy A. King, a 44 year old resident of Klamath Falls, Oregon was driving a 2001 Freightliner truck pulling a semi trailer containing a load of roofing shingles. The truck and trailer are registered to Leavitt's Freight Service of Springfield, Oregon.

After parking his commercial vehicle in a prohibited parking area, King was contacted by Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer Marc Modler. Modler then directed King to a legal parking area to perform a paperwork inspection. While inspecting his paperwork officers observed King acting extremely nervous and fidgety.

Trooper Gordon Gruendell, who happened to be present at the time, also observed King's suspicious behavior. Trooper Gruendell asked King to perform voluntary field sobriety tests which he failed. Trooper Ben Taylor, a certified drug recognition expert, was called to further evaluate Mr. King and perform additional tests. After performing the tests King was arrested for suspicion of DUI drugs.

Following the arrest, King was found to have a pipe used to smoke controlled substances in his possession.

King was charged with DUI drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, and placed out of service for 24 hours.

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